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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
SEIJI INUMIYA ET AL. ) Group Art Unit: 2812  
Application No.: 10/798,337 ) Examiner: Unknown  
Filed: March 12, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 6491  
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper.